

Thursday, February 6, 1902.

C. J. S. Brooker's Hardware Store.

Personal Mention.

—Mr. C. L. Carter, of Lodge, was in the city last Saturday.

—Mr. I. D. Copeland, of Ehrhardt, was in the city Monday.

—Mr. B. F. Brown, of Ehrhardt, was here last Saturday.

—Mr. W. H. Collins, of the Olar section, was in the city Tuesday.

—Messrs. T. W. Dannelly and J. F. Kearse, Jr., were in the city last Saturday.

—Messrs. J. C. McKenzie and J. D. Padgett, of Ehrhardt, were in the city Tuesday.

—Mr. J. D. Fender, of Ehrhardt, paid us a pleasant call last Thursday while in town.

—Mr. A. Rice has returned from a trip to New York, where he went to buy spring goods.

—Messrs. Joe J. Brabham and J. B. Kearse, of Buford's Bridge, were in the city last Saturday.

—Mr. S. E. Neely and Mrs. Sallie Brabham, of the Buford's Bridge section, were in the city Tuesday.

—Mrs. A. H. Bruce visited her daughter, Miss Annie, several days last week down near St. George, where she is teaching.

—Mrs. Frank S. Clark, who has been on a visit to her sister, Mrs. McIver Bostick, has returned to her home in Arkadelphia, Arkansas.

—Mrs. J. L. Eddleman and little son, Louis, left last Saturday morning for Concord, N. C., where they will spend awhile before going to Greenwood, their new home.

—A. McIver Bostick, Esq., came home a few days last week on account of the illness of his little son, Roger. The little fellow is thought to be on the road to recovery now. He has been very ill with pneumonia.

Small men have big opinions of themselves.

Man may be made of dust, but he doesn't always settle.

There was a right good crowd in town last Monday.

The Red Bliss and Early Rose seed potatoes for sale by M. Moye.

City council continues its good work on the streets, for which we are all grateful.

When you dig into a man's vanity you find the spot where his hatred for you lies.

Mr. M. A. Moye and family have moved to Fairfax, to the regret of their many friends.

Remember, the time for paying State and county taxes without the penalty expires March first.

County still has an upward tendency, but it does not help the farmers in this section of country.

City council held a regular monthly meeting last Tuesday afternoon, but only routine business was transacted.

Pay your city taxes, and avoid the penalty. See W. P. Riley, city treasurer, and get your receipt.

The date of the colored teacher's meeting has been changed from the first of February to the 15th, with the same program.

The house of representatives has passed a bill requiring supervisors of all counties in the State to publish quarterly reports of expenditures.

None so blind as those who won't see. Get our prices and have your eye opened before buying hardware.

THE DOWLING HARDWARE CO.

W. C. Wallace, foreman of the job department of the State, has announced his candidacy for mayor of Columbia. He proposes to run as a labor candidate.

See the new advertisement of A. C. Reynolds, the hustling Ehrhardt druggist. The famous Hawkes spectacles and eyeglasses are now for sale at his store.

We were glad to have the pleasure of shaking hands last Monday with a number of our good friends from different parts of the county, whom we were glad to see.

Supervisor Bruce has hired seven convicts from the State with which to supplement the county chain gang. They arrived last week, and have been sent to the gang.

City taxes are now due and payable at the city treasurer's office. Pay at once and avoid the penalty.

Mrs. Frank S. Clark and sweet little daughter, Mary Cornelia, after a month's visit to her mother and sister at Bamberg, S. C., is expected home next Saturday—Arkadelphia Standard.

Numbers of our subscribers have responded to our appeal for money. There are still others owing, whom we would be glad to receive payment from, and that at once. We need the money now.

C. H. Holman, a colored man at Govan, writes us that an old colored man named Monday Odum got down on a piece of meat, and Dr. J. R. McCormack had to be called in to relieve him. Meat must be plentiful in that section.

Mr. Bostick's bill in reference to the taxing of mortgages and other evidences of debt has been killed by the legisla-

ture. This bill will be remembered by our people as we published it last session when it was introduced.

City taxes are now due and payable to W. P. Riley, town treasurer. Pay up at once.

The local authorities are being criticised for their lack of efforts to capture the Branchville robbers, and it is also common talk in Bamberg that Warren has been staying down in Colleton county since the killing of Watson.

Corn drills, guano distributors, and cotton planters also a full line of all kinds of farming implements and hardware. Be sure to get my prices before buying, as I will surely save you money.

C. J. S. BROOKER.

Ernest, the fourteen-months-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Riley, died at their home in this city Tuesday night at eight o'clock of pneumonia. The burial took place at Hunter's Chapel yesterday, the services being conducted by Rev. M. L. Lawson.

C. H. Holman, a colored subscriber at Govan, writes us that a colored preacher named T. H. Hutto died last Sunday. He was about forty years old, and his wife survives him. The burial took place at Honey Ford Baptist church and was largely attended.

We would be glad to receive news letters from any part of the county, from anybody. Write us the news; we will put it in shape to print. You needn't stand back because you are not expert at writing for publication. The facts are all we want; we will do the rest.

Mr. A. S. Hanzog has accepted a flatting business proposition from Greenwood, and will help build the "gate city" of Western Carolina to larger greatness and prosperity. And Greenwood will have no better young man on her roll of good citizens—Barnwell People.

By a vote of 55 to 37 the house of representatives last Tuesday refused to strike out the enacting words of the child labor bill. The house then adjourned without further action being taken. This bill provides that no child under twelve years of age shall be employed in a cotton mill.

Messrs. Crum and Bostick, of this county, voted for the bill.

Trees at Auction Again.

At Ehrhardt, Tuesday, February 11th. All kinds, including Pecans. Fine trees—too large to carry over.

Will be sold to the highest bidder. No side bidding.

BAMBERG NURSERIES.

To Our Subscribers.

We realize that money is very scarce and that many of you are in bad financial condition, but we want those who are indebted to us to pay at least a portion of what they are due right away. We need the money to help pay for new machinery we are putting into the office, and we hope every one indebted to the paper will help us out here. If you can pay all you owe, say what you can. We will be glad to receive any amount. Very few owe us, we are glad to say, but if these few would settle a portion of their indebtedness, it would help us very materially.

January Honor Roll.

The following received subscription receipts from us during the month of January:

J. M. Grimes,	A. E. Kearse,
Dr. B. D. Bronson,	B. J. Lawson,
C. C. Smith,	J. R. Morris,
O. F. Hunter,	J. C. Sandifer,
John L. Kluard,	Thos. Black,
E. R. Hays,	B. F. Free,
E. B. Price,	Mrs. W. P. Jones,
M. A. Moye,	M. L. Mingo,
Dr. G. P. Rice,	N. B. Rhoads,
G. P. Rice,	G. S. Williams,
N. A. Bellinger,	I. W. Rentz,
W. T. Riley,	J. C. Folk, Jr.,
E. D. C. Smith,	J. M. Carter,
Dr. J. L. Copeland,	E. C. Sandifer,
Mrs. M. A. Kearse,	P. M. Kearse,
H. B. Rice,	G. S. Nimmons,
F. O. Brabham,	J. D. Fender,
J. T. Delk,	T. W. Dannelly,
J. T. Richardson,	H. S. Fickling,
D. A. Hanberry,	Mrs. R. M. Brown,
J. J. Craddock,	C. C. Folk,
T. H. Jackson,	C. L. Carter,
Jno. W. Brown,	R. F. McMillan.

Advertised Letters.

Advertised letters for January, 1902, un-called for in Bamberg post-office:

Men—T. J. Ray, Jno. Draper, A. S. Smith, Jim Burton, J. Ben Rentz, Simon Washington, Scott Washington, Henry Willie, Walter Simon, George Smith.

Women—Miss Annie Bell Porter, Miss J. T. Tyler, Mrs. Auntie Glover, Miss Carrie Zeigler, Miss Orrie Nimmons, Miss Shelly Logan, Miss Mary Nance.

Mrs. Smoak Dead.

Mrs. Susannah Smoak, widow of the late Geo. W. Smoak, died last Thursday at the residence of her son-in-law, Mr. J. B. Padgett, in the Clear Pond section. Mrs. Smoak had been a widow for fourteen years. She was eighty-four years old. The burial took place Friday afternoon at Bethlehem Lutheran church, the services being largely attended.

County Pension Board.

The county pension board met at the court house last Monday for the purpose of considering applications for pensions. The following new names were added to the list:

U. G. Millhous, Denmark.	CLASS A, No. 2.
A. Wilson, Viola.	CLASS C, No. 2.
J. B. Gilliam, Bamberg.	
J. H. McCormack, Govan.	
J. A. Kirkland, Ulmar.	
John S. Copeland, Ehrhardt.	
E. Gunnels, Govan.	
W. W. Williams, Bamberg.	
B. J. Brabham, Olar.	
R. W. Nix, Bamberg.	
M. S. Carter, Bamberg.	
A. W. Wilkerson, Bamberg.	
CLASS C, No. 4.	
M. E. Reed, Denmark.	
Mary Barrs, Denmark.	
Ellen Drawdy, Harts.	
Emma Grimes, Govan.	
Amanda Gilliam, Govan.	

As soon as the State board passes upon the applications and sends the forms to the clerk of court, we will publish both the old and new names, the last year's pensioners not being included in above list.

Dispensers' Reports.

The county board of control met here last Monday for the purpose of receiving the monthly reports of dispensers, which were as follows:

Bamberg—Sales, \$1,559.02; invoice price, \$1,439.08; gross profit, \$519.94; expenses, \$130.65; net profit, \$389.29.

Denmark—Sales, \$848.35; invoice price, \$610.22; gross profit, \$236.63; expenses, \$88.10; net profit, \$148.53.

Ehrhardt—Sales, \$536.05; invoice price, \$394.72; gross profit, \$141.33; expenses, \$65.50; net profit, \$75.83.

Olar—Sales, \$400.85; invoice price, \$238.98; gross profit, \$131.87; expenses, \$65.08; net profit, \$66.79.

Midway—Sales, \$115.25; invoice price, \$82.00; gross profit, \$33.25; expenses, \$30.72; net profit, \$2.53.

Road Tax Names.

The following persons have paid their road tax since our last report:

New road across Lemon Swamp—John Jones, Stephen Washington, William Irons, Hayne Barnes.

Bamberg and Denmark road—J. H. Hadwin, Isaac Brabham, Wilcox Compton, Allen Grimes, Henry Johnson, C. B. Jones, Caesar Funchion, Lucius Peoples.

Saltford road—John Wiggins, G. W. Hughes.

Stewart road—Handy Rivers, Richard Wright, General Thompson.

Blakely's Bridge road—T. W. Hayden, James A. Price.

Charleston & Augusta road—Jake Spell, Cannon's bridge road—A. J. Gantt.

Denmark road—Walter C. Cave, Willie Babin, Wash Gatt.

Edisto road—H. M. Herndon.

Branchville road—H. C. Hayden.

Cowpen Ford road—J. J. Goodwin.

Denmark and Blacksville road—J. H. Walker, Mack Gessie, Charley Williams.

Rice road—Alfred Herndon.

Hunter's Chapel road—Lewis Jamison, A. W. Hunter.

Denmark and Hightower's mill road—Ish Wright.

Buford's Bridge road—Isiah Handy.

Parrell's Store road—W. T. Jones.

The Express Robbery.

Since our last issue there have been no startling developments in regard to the express robbery. Two white men and a negro have been arrested and are confined in jail at Charleston, but there is no definite proof against them. Governor McSweeney has offered one thousand dollars reward for the capture of Bartow Warren on account of the killing of Thomas Watson.

A Lawyer's Blunder.

In recounting some of his personal experiences, ex-Governor Shaw, of Iowa, lately chosen to be Secretary of the State, tells how he once heard a small boy brag to a lawyer who was cross-examining him. Part of the questioning and replies thereto were as follows:

"Have you any occupation?"

"No."

"Don't you do any work of any kind?"

"No."

"Just loaf around home?"

"That's about all."

"What does your father do?"

"Nothin' much."

"Doesn't he do anything to support the family?"

"He does odd jobs once in a while when he can get them."

"As a matter of fact isn't your father a pretty worthless fellow, a deadbeat and a loafer?"

"I don't know sir, you'd better ask him. He's sittin' over there on the jury."

Brooklyn Eagle.

Ehrhardt Etchings.

EHRHARDT, February 3.—Mr. J. J. Zeigler was in town Tuesday and says his wife, who has been ill for some months, is on the mend.

Mr. J. C. McKenzie is erecting a new barn on his lot in town.

Mr. Willie Jones brought a drove of horses and mules in town Tuesday and made several trades with farmers in this section.

Mr. W. H. Varn and his friend, Frank Clayton, of Colston, were in town Tuesday last week.

Mr. G. F. Lightsey and Dr. Hem Folk were in town Wednesday.

Mr. Chas. Warren is building a dwelling house in Robertsville, which he will occupy when finished.

Our young folks are having big times these days. There is a chicken stew or evening party about six nights out of the week.

Cards are out announcing a birthday party to be given at the home of Miss Essie Powell on the evening of February 10th at 7.30.

Mrs. Frank Thomas, of Copes, was the guest of Capt. J. M. Dannelly and family last week.

Capt. J. M. Dannelly spent last Wednesday and Thursday in Charleston on business.

Rev. E. M. McKissick preached a powerful sermon in J. D. Copeland's hall Sunday night, taking the text: "The wages of sin is death—spiritual death."

He will preach in the future on the first and third Sunday evenings at 8 o'clock.

Mr. G. F. Jennings, of Bamberg, was in town Sunday. He left for Walterboro Monday morning.

Mr. S. W. Copeland is building a barn on his lot.

Mr. Florrie McMillan, of Colston, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. P. Pate, last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pate visited Mrs. W. B. Rice, of Olar, last Sunday.

A band of thieves came to Ehrhardt one day last week and stole money under the pretense of giving a show in J. D. Copeland's hall. Their names were Willie, Dummie, Ike, and Rufus.

Mr. N. F. Murdaugh went to Branchville Sunday.

Mr. F. M. Young, of Fairfax, is in town to-day, looking after the interest of his stores here.

Miss Sallie Hartz who has been spending time at Weimers, has just returned home.

A house for rent in Ehrhardt. Apply to A. C. Reynolds. GE. CO.

The Express Robbery.

The News and Courier has the following to say about the arrest of Daniel Barr charged with express robbery:

"If Daniel Barr, the seventeen-year old lad, who was arrested by the federal authorities several days ago, suspected of complicity in the recent Branchville train robbery, knows anything of the hold up, he has succeeded thus far in keeping the information strictly to himself. In general make up and appearance Barr is an ordinary country youth, but his keen gray eyes are full of expression and there is something about the cut of his features that gives one an idea of unusual intelligence. The boy has been subjected to the most rigid examination, but so far as can be learned he has thrown little or no light on the identity of the bandits."

Joe Carson, colored, who also occupies a cell at the county jail, charged with complicity in the robbery, has divulged no more than Barr. Carson was the first to be taken to jail to haul the express safe from the train to the Edisto river. The officers at work on the case are of the opinion that there is something peculiar about both Barr and Carson being called on at the point of Winchester to assist in the hold up, when there appear to have been at least seven of the highwaymen to do the work.

Legislative Doings.

The Senate has adopted a resolution fixing the date of adjournment February 11th.

Hon. Jno. W. Crum has introduced a bill in the house repealing the old road law of Bamberg county, in so far as it relates to Bamberg county.

No discussion has yet been taken on Senator Mayfield's bill to establish a fertilizer factory, although the house has provided for a commission to inquire into the advisability of its establishment. This commission is to report at the next session.

The bill introduced by our delegation to use this county's part of the dispensary profits for the expenses of the chain gang has passed both houses.

The regular biennial sessions of the legislature it seems is to be submitted to the people, the house having adopted a resolution to this end.

The bill fixing the salaries of county officers provides the following salaries for the officers of Bamberg county: Auditor, \$800; Sheriff, \$850; Clerk of Court, \$150; Supervisor, \$250. The sheriff is also to receive twenty cents per day for detaining prisoners. Senator Mayfield attempted to have the prisoners detained by the county commissioners, but has failed so far.

Treasurer, \$800; Coroner, \$100; County Superintendent of Education, \$75. This bill will not be very popular with the various officials in all counties are very much unequal.

The house has passed a bill providing for the office of State insurance commissioner.

John Allen's Story.

It was during the Cleveland Administration that Private John Allen made his famous reply to the equally famous speech of Congressman Boutelle, of Maine, says a writer in the Kansas City Star, President Cleveland had decided to allow the captured Confederate battle flags to be returned to the different States whence they came. Boutelle made a masterful address on the subject. He reminded his hearers of all the notable Federal victories and of the blinding of glory as he painted by word of mouth the final surrender. When Boutelle took his seat he so far carried his hearers away that those in the gallery and the Republican members of the House burst forth into cheers.

Suddenly from the Democratic side was heard the calm, soothing tones of John Allen as he said: "Mr. Speaker. He told of his joining the Southern cause and following one of the flags about which the discussion was going on."

"When it was all over," he said, "I started back home. I was barefooted, nearly naked and without money. I con- sidered to walk. I trudged along for a day or so with a man I knew lent me a mule. When I was about four miles from home I decided to leave the main road I was travelling and go by another route and sneak in the back way. I had gone only a little distance when I saw an old man, a fellow townsman, sitting on a rail fence."

"Well, John, I see you are back," he said.

"Yes, Uncle Zeb," I answered.

"Did they lick us, John?"

"Yes, Uncle Zeb. They licked us plenty."

"Freed the niggers, too?"

"Yes, they freed the niggers."

"The old man got down from the fence and, after he had thoroughly stretched out all his limbs, he said:

"John, I don't mind being licked so much, and I can stand these niggers being freed, but, John, the worst of it is that in about thirty years some durned fool will throw it up to us."

There is being erected at Manchester N. H., what is claimed will be when finished the largest single mill building ever erected.

MISAPPLIED WORDS.

Some Expressions the Use of Which Should Be Reformed.

"Extra" is an abused word. People say "extra good" or "extra cheap" in order to intensify "good" and "cheap." But "extra" has no such force. So far from intensifying a given condition, it denies it by indicating that the thing so described lies outside the sphere or quality named. Thus, "extra judicial" does not mean more than ordinarily judicial, as though a judge had dredged his conscience in giving an opinion, but outside of judicial and therefore incapable of being judged at all in the prescribed way.

A grievous fault is the use of "identify" in a phrase like this, "He is identified with the antivaccination movement." A man can only identify himself with another man or set of men. He can identify himself with the opponents of vaccination—and even here the word carries a shade of meaning of its own, distinguishing the phrase from such a one as "he joined the opponents of vaccination."

One should not speak of "high" or "low" caliber; but, remembering the meaning of "caliber," one should apply to it only such adjectives as "great" or "small."

It is wrong to speak of a "consensus of opinion." The word "consensus" itself means an agreement of thought and should stand alone—Academy.

Crank and Epicure.

"A traveling crank and epicure had the audacity to ask the head steward shortly before my boat sailed from Liverpool for New York," said a waiter on an ocean liner, "if he would mind changing three of the courses on the bill of fare for others which he preferred. He was informed politely but firmly that there were other passengers besides himself sailing on the vessel and that he thought he could not surmise on the excellent fare provided during the voyage all he had to do was to book with another line and his passage money would be returned to him."

"Steamship companies are not in the habit of returning passage money when once paid, as is well known, but in this instance we would willingly have done so."

"Our fastidious passenger did not book with another line, however, and what is more, he ate enough at each meal on the trip to satisfy two men with sea air appetites and presented to the waiter, who attended with extreme good nature to his likes and dislikes throughout the voyage, the magnificent sum of 15 cents."—New York Mail and Express.

His Lovely Manners.

A benevolent looking man boarded a downtown elevator already occupied by three women upward bound. With a Chesterfieldian air he respectfully doffed his hat and held it in his hand until he had reached his destination.

"What a charming man! Such lovely manners!" gushed the women in chorus.

A few minutes later the benevolent looking man of the lovely manners reached his office. Pitching his hat on the back of his benevolent head, sprawling himself down in true manly abandon at his desk, puffing a clay pipe in an artistic masculine fashion, occasionally expectorating in the vicinity of a cuspidor, he greets his six-dollar-a-week-for-ten-hours-a-day stenographer by jocularly inquiring why in thunder those legal papers aren't finished.

The Wrong Crop.

Visiting an old of the way English parish when the incumbent happened to be away, a former archdeacon of Suffolk was, it is related, shown round by the clerk. On arriving at the churchyard he found a fine crop of wheat growing in it.

"Dear, dear!" said the archdeacon. "I can't approve of this. I really did not think Mr. ——— would have planted wheat in the churchyard."

"That's just what I told parson," said the clerk. "I says," says I, "ye didn't ought to have wheated it; ye ought to have tatered it!"

When Wives Were Sold.

A century or so ago wife selling was not an uncommon event in England, as the following item, which appeared in the London News of Nov. 21, 1801, would show:

"On Friday a coal porter exhibited his wife in Smithfield, with a halter round her neck, for sale. He demanded a guinea for her, but she hung on hand for some time, until a man of good appearance made the purchase, and packing her, halter and all, into a hackney coach drove for Blackfriars bridge, amid the huzzas of the mob."

The Left Over Baby.

A woman went into a big department store and checked her baby while she shopped. When she went to get her baby, she found she had lost her check. The manager said she would have to wait and when all the other babies were taken out she could have the one that was left, but the baby left over was a colored baby. This was all right, however, as the woman was colored.—Atchison Globe.

Deep Sea Life.

In the abysses of the oceans, below 500 fathoms many animals have other inhuman eyes or none. Their condition in this regard affords a suggestive parallel to that of cave life, and the causes are probably the same. Science is of the opinion that all deep sea life originally emigrated from the shallows.

Macedonia has a population of about 4,000,000. Three-fourths are Christian and one-fourth Turks. Nearly half are of Bulgarian ancestry.

I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for a number of years and have no hesitancy in saying that it is the best remedy for coughs, colds and croup I have ever used in my family. I have not words to express my confidence in this remedy.

—Mrs. J. A. Moore, North Star, Mich. For sale by Bamberg Pharmacy.

The prison authorities of North Carolina have forbidden the female prisoners to wear corsets. In Virginia saws were made from the steel ribs taken from corsets and the iron bars were sawed out with them.

A Beaufort correspondent of the News and Courier tells of a young man who caught more than 800 live trout and bass a few nights ago and sold them for \$30.

ITALIAN VIOLINS.

The "Strad" Sent to London Could Find No Purchaser.

Italian violins have not always held the supremacy they now enjoy. It was not indeed till the beginning of the nineteenth century that they came into vogue to any extent outside their native land. Previously Jacob Steiner (1621-83) was the favorite maker, and his high model had been almost exclusively copied by his fellow Germans and the different makers in France and England. When the elier Cor